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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Having a choice of service providers, including small local businesses, and providing a competitive balance so those small businesses can compete with the mega-corporations is essential to our democracy. I am in the ever-shrinking demographic of consumers who actually have a choice of internet service and telecommunication providers and it's essential that MORE Americans be given the ability to really choose their provider. Taking that choice away from us should not even be considered if we want to keep the cost of internet and telephone service affordable for everyone.

There is already too much power in the hands of the big corporations and while in the past the current FCC administration has usually sided with them and against small companies, consumers, and the wishes of the majority of Americans I hope that this time you will do the right thing and increase, not decrease, the competition in such an important element of our lives and our democracy.

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